College, Madras, along with two other Medical Officers who do not belong to the Stanley Medical College, are running a Clinic known as 'Diagnostic Centre' (Clinical Laboratory) at Vepery. Dr. G. D. Valiath who was Vice-Principal of the Stanley Medical College and who has since retired from service, was the consulting Pathologist of the Centre while he was in service.

"(b) Sanction of Government in the matter is not necessary with reference to the existing rules governing the members of the Madras Medical Service in regard to their private practice."

SRI P. RANGASWAMI REDDIAR :—" Does not the Government consider that their work in Government hospitals would be seriously interfered with if they are allowed to have regular private practice like this? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" They are allowed consulting practice and that is a restricted form of private practice. They do examination of patients brought or introduced by registered practitioners."

SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM :—" Sir, not only Government doctors are allowed to have private practice but even private doctors are recruited as honorary physicians and they are allowed to work in the hospitals. The result is that if the patients are to have proper treatment, they have to enrol themselves as private patients of either the Government doctor or honorary physician. Hospital resources are not properly utilized for the patients who are admitted to the hospital. So, will the Government consider the question of banning all private practice by Government doctors by increasing their emoluments and also increasing the number of doctors? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" The hon. Member has raised a very wide question. This question has often been considered and it is not found feasible to raise the salaries of doctors in the Government service. So they have been allowed the privilege of consulting practice."

Silt clearance in Kalnad stream.

* 1849 *Q.*—SRI M. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state with reference to the question No. 1420 answered on the 13th August 1954—

(*a*) whether the Executive Engineer has since submitted his report; and

(*b*) if so, when the work to remove the silt in the Kalnad stream will be commenced?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU :—" (*a*) & (*b*) The scheme has been investigated by the Public Works Department and the Collector of South Kanara has submitted proposals for sanctioning the work 'Removal of silt in the

Kalnad Stream ' at an estimated cost of Rs. 8,500. The Board's remarks on the proposals have been called for. The work will be commenced as soon as the estimate is sanctioned by the Government.''

Sri M. Narayanan Nambiar :—'' Since the cultivation on both sides of the stream are considerably damaged, will the Government expedite the matter and get the report immediately? ''

The Hon. Sri M. A. Manickavelu :—'' It is delayed because the owners of land who have to give about 15 feet of land all along the canal have refused to give it. So the Government have to take land acquisition proceedings and naturally some delay is expected.''

Tamil students in the Anantapur Engineering College.

* 1850 *Q.*—Sri V. Balakrishnan : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of Tamil students assigned to Anantapur Engineering College in the academic year 1953–54 from the composite Madras State;

(*b*) how many of such students were recipients of benefits from Government under the composite State;

(*c*) whether these Tamil students belonging to the residuary Madras State studying in Anantapur Engineering College have petitioned to the Madras Government stating that the benefits enjoyed by them under the composite Government have been stopped by the Andhra State Government;

(*d*) if so, the action taken by Madras State Government on their petitions;

(*e*) the number of Telugu students assigned to Engineering Colleges in Madras State in 1953; and

(*f*) how many of them are receiving benefits from Madras State?

11–40 a.m. The Hon. Sri R. Shanmuga Rajeswara Sethupathi :—'' (*a*) 34.

'' (*b*) 16.

'' (*c*) Yes, Sir.

'' (*d*) This Government took up the question with the Government of Andhra and the Government of Andhra have continued the concessions allowed to Madras State students.

'' (*e*) 10.

'' (*f*) Two.''

Sri V. Balakrishnan :—'' May I know whether the Hon. Minister is aware that the Andhra Government have stopped the